

## SEEKS BEQUEST OF 'BROADWAY SWELL'

"Woman Who Traveled With Me in Spain" Sues for Child's Money.

NEW YORK, March 19.—Seeking to prove that she is "the woman who traveled with me in Spain," to whom Irving W. Childs, known as "the Broadway Swell," bequeathed the income of \$15,000, Lydia Robinson, who gives her home as Chester Manor, Kent Island, Md., took the stand before Surrogate Fowler yesterday afternoon and told a story of her meeting and subsequent life with Mr. Childs.

In the will of Childs, who died in Europe, the "woman who traveled with me in Spain," was not named. Since the terms of the will, including the \$15,000 bequest, to this woman became public, Lydia Robinson has appeared to prove that she is the beneficiary meant.

Expensively dressed, calm and almost scornful in her attitude, she answered the question and told her story of traveling with Childs as his wife. She declared she met him in Vera Cruz, Mexico, in June, 1908, and two days later met his lawyer, Mr. Clark. At that time, she said, Childs was traveling under the name of Carter, and Clark was using a name not his own.

Later, she testified, she joined Childs in Havana and went to Europe with him, meeting Clark later in Paris. After that, she said, they traveled in Europe for two years, being accompanied much of the time by Clark. She declared that Clark continually warned them that detectives were on their track, sent out by Childs's relatives, with the intention of having him brought back to America as insane.

When they finally did return to America, in June, 1910, according to the testimony, Clark met them at Hoboken and warned them again of the detectives and insanity charges, which so frightened Childs that he refused to come to New York, but went instead to Washington, Baltimore and finally to Chester Manor.

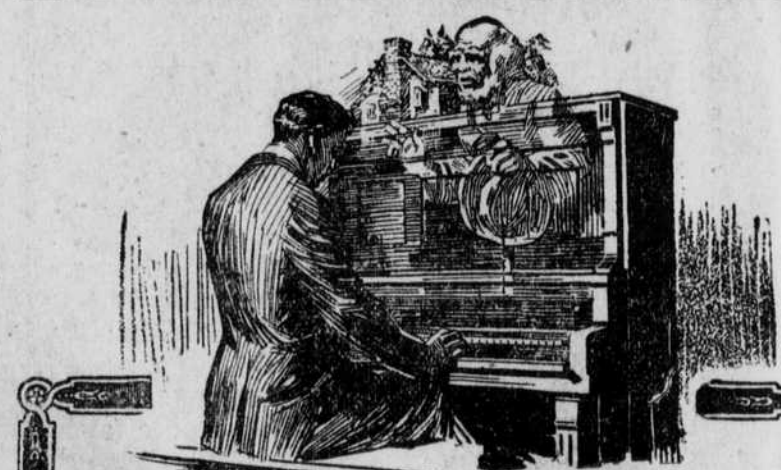
## OPENS BOY'S MOUTH CLOSED FIFTEEN YEARS

NEW YORK, March 19.—Left dumb and with his jaws locked as the result of an attack of typhoid fever fifteen years ago, Leroy Siegfried, son of a farmer of Waterloo, N. Y., soon will be able to talk and eat normally, following an operation performed on his jaws by Dr. Henry M. Kalvin, of 5104 Fourteenth avenue, Borough Park. The operation took place last Thursday at the Coney Island Hospital. The patient is now able to articulate slightly and to open his jaws three-quarters of an inch.

The young man's lower jaw was laid bare and growths of bone on each side near the joint removed. The muscles of the mouth were then massaged. For the first time since he was stricken Siegfried was able to open his jaws and to talk yesterday.

## THREAT FOR HEIRS

BROOKLYN, March 19.—Seth L. Keeney, who died March 12 at his home, at 221 Clermont avenue, this city, declared in the first paragraph of his will that anyone attempting to break it would be disinherited. The will was filed here yesterday. The estate was estimated to be worth \$5,000,000.



## "Old Black Joe" Brings Tears When Played by Instinct

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"I scarcely know how I do it all, for my mind is not working. Only my feelings are in action."

"My feelings have wandered away—away to sunny Southern plantations before the war. I can see 'Old Black Joe,' woolly gray, ebony black, aged, stooped, feeble, leaning on his cane and singing sorrowfully: 'I'm coming, I'm coming, for my head is broken Joe.'"

"I hear those gentle voices calling 'Old Black Joe.'"

"I'm not conscious of the player at all. I hardly know it is there, for I'm afar off with a spirit—the spirit of the Southern darkies and old plantations before the war. I don't want to know the player is there. Just let me feel this ecstasy of feeling so long as it lasts."

"I notice the last chord. I open my eyes and see the folks how they like it. I do not need to ask. Tears are in their eyes. The tears answer."

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## OHIO WOMEN DENOUNCE DRESS COMMISSION BILL

Declare They Will Not Be Told What to Wear.

COLUMBUS, March 19.—The enactment of the Capelle bill to regulate the apparel of women through a State commission, and fixing for each of these offenses fines of from \$5 to \$19 except for the wearing of décolleté gowns or openwork hosiery, for which a fine of \$25 is prescribed, has aroused the women.

Representatives of the leading women's organizations here almost without exception object to the bill. They ridiculed and denounced it. Mrs. Dora Sandle Bachman, president of the Columbus School Board, said: "Women's dress should not be subject to law, but determined by the individual taste."

Mrs. Whitacre, of the Women's Club, said: "Hands off unless woman can dictate the length of men's trousers."

Mrs. L. T. Gooding, of the Wednesday Literary Club, said: "Women of good taste know how to dress, and no law can help women of bad taste."

Mrs. Dixon L. Moore said: "It must be a legislation of the legislators are going crazy, and we are not going along."

## FOREST FIRE LOSSES FOR 1912 LOWEST IN YEARS

Elaborate System of Guarding National Preserves Responsible.

WASHINGTON, March 19.—According to the department of agriculture losses by fire on the national forests in 1912 were the lowest of recent years. Less than one acre to every thousand was burned over, and the damage, estimated at \$75,290, was less than \$1 to every 2,000 acres.

This good record is attributed to favorable weather conditions and increased efficiency of fire-fighting organization. With telephones and look-out stations fires are discovered more quickly and fought more rapidly.

Fires outside the national forests constituted more than one-sixth of all fought by the rangers and guards. About nine-tenths were extinguished before they touched the forests. Of fires within the forest boundaries more than 18 per cent. were on lands in private ownership. Nearly one-fourth of the expenditures outside the time of the regular forest force was incurred in fighting these fires.

Lightning caused more fires than any other agency, followed by railroads, campers and incendiaries in the order given. The greatest losses occurred in Arizona, Arkansas and California. About 27 per cent. of all the fires were started by lightning and about 38 per cent. were due to carelessness.

The total number of fires was 2,472, as compared with 3,369 in 1911. They burned over, in the aggregate, 230,000 acres as against 780,000 in 1911.

## GRIPPE'S GRIP LENGTHENS LONDON SOCIETY SICK LIST

LONDON, March 19.—The society sick list is lengthened by the grippe epidemic now prevalent all over the kingdom. The Duchess of Manchester, who is recovering, returned yesterday with the duke from Bexhill-on-Sea, where she had been staying for a week.

The condition of Mrs. John Ford, the elder daughter of Mrs. Cavendish Bentinck, who was Miss Livingston, of Staatsburgh, N. Y., is causing the gravest anxiety. She is suffering from double pneumonia. Doctors and nurses are in constant attendance and her husband has been summoned.

## WOMAN JUDGE TELLS WHY GIRLS YIELD TO TEMPTATION'S CALL

Judge Mary M. Bartelme



Low Wages, Ignorance and Overwork Serve to Break Down Woman Toilers' Barrier of Virtue, She Says—Writer Describes the Only Woman's Court, Telling Why It Succeeds.

BY MARY M. BARTELMÉ

CHICAGO, Ill., March 19.—Girls—the great rank and file of our womanly American girls—never, of themselves, choose lives of vice. And persons who say that a well-balanced girl "goes wrong" because she really wants to slander the greatest of all God-given feminine gifts—virtue.

Virtue, above all other things, is inherent in the soul of girlhood. So imbedded is it that no normal girl gives it up without a great, desperate struggle. If it were not so we could at once despair of the future of the race. A great progeny could not be produced from a loose womankind. Among normal girls—and I would say there is no more than one abnormal girl to every hundred rightly-instinctured girls—there are only two reasons for parting with their innocence.

One of these is ignorance—the ignorance of childhood and lack of parental care—and the other is economic pressure.

And economic pressure means low wages.

Youth—the girls who work for slender stipends in the great stores and shops—does not label it "economic pressure."

The young girl craves joy—the joy that rightly belongs to the young. She grows tired of her sordid existence, whether it is spent in a little bedroom or in an overcrowded tenement. Her scanty meals, the same old clothes and lack of recreation month in and month out drive her to desperation.

And, as she stands behind the counter thinking of these things, and longing for something brighter, and long great streams of brilliantly gowned women flow past, she finds herself wishing that she, too, could live such a beautiful life as these women—these women who get these things because somebody loves them.

At first she puts the thought away from her because she feels it can never be fulfilled, but after a while the thought grows—the longing for the bright things and the longing, too, for love.

The environment grows more and more monotonous, the meals more and more tasteless, the old clothes shinier and shinier.

And then the man comes.

Money can buy brightness. Youth has a right to the brightness it craves. Buy our girls what they work for and for of them will fall for the price of the gaiety they see all around them.

Twelve dollars a week is little enough to buy for the girl who works the brightness that the world owes her for legitimate toil!

## \$69,000 CHECK MYSTERY DUE TO CARELESSNESS

PHILADELPHIA, March 19.—The mystery surrounding the disappearance of a package of checks calling for payments aggregating \$69,000, which vanished on March 11, after a messenger of the Quaker City National Bank had placed it in window No. 15, in the Central postoffice, was cleared up yesterday when the package was found in the office of Banc Commissioner Chaplin, in the Federal building.

The checks were returned intact to the bank, and postal inspectors who have been investigating the disappearance of the package and its contents say that it was due to carelessness on the part of the bank employees.

## INVITES ALL TO DRINK BEFORE HE ENDS LIFE

PASSAIC, N. J., March 19.—A stranger entered John McNamee's saloon at 62 First street, yesterday, at 11 o'clock, and called to several men at the bar for a drink.

"Better enjoy myself now," he said, "because at noon I will be dead."

Exactly as the noon hour was striking the saloon door was opened and the man staggered in and fell on the floor. He had swallowed carbolic acid and died before a doctor came. He was identified as William A. Smith, of 188 Spring street, Paterson.

## FAITHFUL BLIND HORSE BESIDE DEAD MASTER

ELIZABETH, N. J., March 19.—The faithfulness of his old blind nag, helped the authorities to discover that John McNamee, of this city, had died suddenly of heart disease. The man was out through the day with his horse and wagon and when he did not return home the police were asked to look for him.

They found the horse on the road, evidently waiting for its master, before it would take another step. In the darkness McNamee's body was not at first seen, but a search revealed it.

BY IDAH M'CLONE GIBSON

I opened a door on which the name "Miss Bartelme" was painted, and entered a little room smelling of strong varnish and new paint. It was a bare office, with not a thing in it to suggest a place where those who entered might leave all hope behind.

Behind a cheap desk sat a little woman in gray, whose brown hair had only threads of silver here and there. Her face was rather careworn, but in her eyes, as she lifted them to me, was sympathy as wide as the world.

There is no bailiff in Judge Bartelme's court and there is no bar at which the "girl prisoner" must stand. Neither can you see through the window "the bridge of sighs," nor, thank God, a row of darkened cells.

There is just the desk behind which sits a woman with a face at times stern and at times pitiful, a woman sometimes "judge" and sometimes "mother."

On her left is a young woman who takes down the proceedings, and on her right is a young woman clerk who keeps in touch with the points regarding each girl's case. There is not a man in the room—for this is the first "woman's only" court-room in all America!

I had hardly noticed all these things when a door from the hall opened and behind a woman probation officer there came a frail, hunted-looking girl of 15 or so. She held in her arms a bundle—oh, so tightly! With her was a strong-faced, capable-looking older woman. The officer in charge said:

"We wish this case dismissed. The man has been ordered to pay a certain sum of money each month."

"I will take care of my daughter," added the older woman.

Miss Bartelme turned her eyes toward the pale girl with a smile so winning that the girl leaned forward and laid the bundle on the desk before the judge.

"Don't you want to see my baby?" and there was a note of pride as well as love in her voice.

"Of course I do," answered Miss Bartelme, and she picked up the little red mite and held it for a moment. The girl looked into her face half fearfully, half wistfully and drew a long sigh of relief as "the judge" became "just woman."

Miss Bartelme turned her eyes toward the pale girl with a smile so winning that the girl leaned forward and laid the bundle on the desk before the judge.

"I know you will," said Miss Bartelme, and the door closed behind them.

Other cases I saw there were similar, and they showed me why Judge Bartelme is successful in conducting her court.

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## For the Women Who Prefer to Trim Their Own Hats

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In greatest profusion. Black, burnt color and the natural or white straws, patent milan, chip and Ajor (hairlike) braid hats in about twenty different styles. The best assortment of untrimmed hats we have ever offered at 98c.

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Attentive, courteous salespeople to assist you in making selections and with whom you may consult regarding trimmings you require.

## Everything Sweet and Pretty for 'His Majesty' the Baby

Who could forget the little ones right at the season of lilies and sunshine? For what could be more beautifully expressive of the sweetness of flowers and the warmth of the spring sun than the "innocence of childhood?" And so baby must come to meet the dress requirements of baby as we are to meet those of big sister or mother. Just a hint:

- Infants' Fancy Trimmed Hats, 1.50 to 1.75
- Infants' Pique and Ratine Hats, 50c to 2.00
- Infants' Bonnets, .139 to 1.49
- Infants' Caps, .50c to 5.98
- Infants' Long Coats, 1.50 to 25.00
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- Infants' Hand-embroidered Bibs, .200 to 7.98
- Infants' Russian or One-piece Dresses, 1.00 to 4.98
- Infants' Kid Moccasins, Shoes and Slippers, .50c to 2.98
- Infants' Worsted Sacques, 25c to 3.98
- Infants' Silk and Cashmere Wrappers and Sacques; hand and machine embroidered, 1.50 to 18.98
- Nursery Folding Seats, .75c
- Worsted and Pique Carriage Robes, .125 to 7.98
- Jap. Silk Carriage Robes, 2.98 and 3.98

In addition to the above we carry a splendid assortment of everything else that the infant requires for nursery or dress-up wear, besides gift novelties, books, toys, etc. We are sole Newark agents for the celebrated "Arnold" Knit Wear for babies.

## That Sale of Boys' K. & E. Reg. 1.00 Blouses, 58c

In time for Easter wear, regular \$1.00 laundered blouses, white and colored, neckband and attached collar styles; most blouses in the lot are plain white, plaid front and neckbands; very dressy for all occasions; owing to slight finger mark or small wrinkle the maker has classed them as seconds; we find them little removed from perfection; sizes 6 to 16 years.

## Easter Gloves

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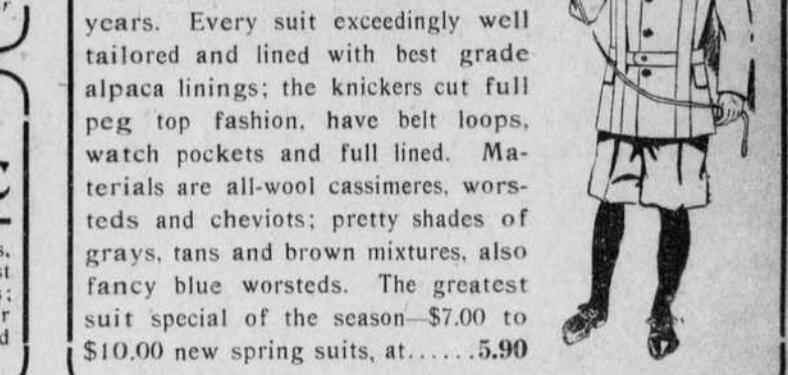
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- Lot 4—Regular 12.50 and 13.50 and 15.00 Serge Dresses, special until Saturday, 9 P. M., 9.95

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